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AGENDA

SPECIAL MEETING

OF THE

SHASTA COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

Tuesday June 22, 2021, 1:00 p.m.

In addition to this Special Meeting being held at the Shasta College Theatre on the Shasta College campus at 11555 Old Oregon Trail, Redding, California, the Planning Commission also welcomes you to its regularly scheduled meetings which are usually scheduled the second Thursday of each month at 2 p.m. in the Board of Supervisors Chambers on the second floor of the Shasta County Administration Center, 1450 Court Street, Suite 263, Redding, California.

Notice Concerning Conduct of Meeting During COVID-19 Pandemic

Please note that in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and in accordance with federal, State, and local directives, orders, and recommendations including, but not limited to, Governor Gavin Newsom's Executive Orders N-29-20 and N-35-20, the procedures for conduct of the Planning Commission meeting immediately following this paragraph are temporarily modified. For information about participating in Planning Commission meetings during the COVID-19 pandemic, please refer to the bottom of the agenda or visit www.co.shasta.ca.us/index/drm/planning/planning-commission-meetings/participating. Anyone requiring accommodation for a disability in order to participate in the meeting should contact the Planning Division at (530) 225-5532. In order to allow us to better assist you, please request accommodation at least 24 hours prior to the meeting.

TO ADDRESS THE COMMISSION: Members of the public may directly address the Planning Commission on any agenda item on the regular calendar before or during the Commission's consideration of the item. In addition, the Planning Commission provides the members of the public with a Public Comment-Open Time period, where the public may address the Commission on any agenda item and may address the Commission on any matter not listed on the agenda that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Planning Commission. Pursuant to the Brown Act (Govt. Code section 54950, et seq.), **Commission action or discussion cannot be**

taken on non-agenda matters, but the Commission may briefly respond to statements or questions and, if deemed necessary, refer the subject matter to the appropriate department for follow-up and/or to schedule the matter on a subsequent Commission agenda.

PRESENTATION OF DOCUMENTS: All items presented to the Planning Commission during a public hearing, including but not limited to letters, e-mails, petitions, photos, maps or other kinds of information shall become a permanent part of the record and must be submitted to the clerk of the commission. It is advised that the presenter create copies in advance for their own records. If you have documents to present for the members of the Planning Commission to review, please provide a minimum of eight copies.

The Planning Commission's decision on any noticed public hearing item may be appealed to the Board of Supervisors. See "Notes" at the end of the regular agenda.

CALL TO ORDER

For information about participating in Planning Commission meetings during the COVID-19 pandemic, please refer to the bottom of the agenda or visit www.co.shasta.ca.us/index/drm/planning.

Roll Call

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD - OPEN TIME

During the Public Comment - Open Time period, members of the public may address the Planning Commission on any matter not listed on the agenda that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Planning Commission.

REGULAR CALENDAR

R1 Approval of Minutes:

Approve the minutes of the meeting held on May 13, 2021, as submitted.

R2 Use Permit 16-007 (Fountain Wind, LLC): Fountain Wind, LLC has requested approval of a use permit for the Fountain Wind Project, a wind energy generation development consisting of the construction, operation, maintenance, and ultimately the decommissioning of up to 71 wind turbines, each with a generating capacity of 3 to 6.2 megawatts (MW) and total tip height not to exceed 679 feet, with a total nameplate generating capacity of up to 216 MW and associated transformers together with associated infrastructure and ancillary facilities, including: a 34.5-kilovolt (kV) overhead and underground electrical collector system to connect turbines together and to an onsite collector substation; overhead and underground fiber-optic communication lines; a temporary construction and equipment laydown area; 14 temporary laydown areas distributed throughout the Project site to store and stage building materials and equipment, an operation and maintenance (O&M) facility; up to four permanent meteorological evaluation towers (MET); temporary, episodic deployment of mobile Sonic Detection and Ranging (SoDAR) or Light Detection and Ranging (LiDAR) systems within identified disturbance areas (e.g., at MET locations); two storage sheds; three temporary batch plants; and newly constructed and improved existing access roads. The approximate 4,464-acre Project site is within an approximately 29,500-acre leasehold area comprised of 76 Shasta County Assessor's parcels consisting exclusively of private timberlands used for commercial forest management. The leasehold area and Project site is located approximately one mile west of the existing Hatchet Ridge Wind project, 6 miles west of Burney, 35 miles northeast of Redding, immediately north and south of California State Route 299 (SR 299), and near the private recreational facility of Moose Camp and other private inholdings. Staff Planner: Lio Salazar. Staff recommends that the Planning Commission:

1. Conduct a public hearing.
2. Close the public hearing.
3. Adopt a resolution to: a) Adopt the recommended findings listed in Resolution 2021-009; and b) certify the Final Environmental Impact Report for the Fountain Wind Project, including adoption of the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program.
4. Adopt a resolution to: a) Adopt the recommended findings listed in Resolution 2021-010; b) adopt the Findings of Fact and Statement of Overriding Considerations set forth in Exhibit A to Resolution 2021-010 in accordance with State CEQA Guidelines sections 15091 and 15093; and c) approve Use Permit 16-007, based on the recommended findings and subject to the conditions of approval set forth in Exhibit B to Resolution 2021-010.

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REMINDERS

Due to the COVID-19 public health emergency, the County of Shasta is adapting the way that Planning Commission meetings are conducted. Modifications have been made to protect public health while still encouraging engagement from the public. Reasonable accommodations will be made for individuals with disabilities.

Here are ways that you can participate in this Special Meeting of the Shasta County Planning Commission in addition to in-person attendance:

WATCH: View the meeting online live or after the meeting at www.co.shasta.ca.us/index/cob/meeting-videos.

COMMENT:

Written: To ensure consideration by the Commission, all written material concerning the proposed project should be submitted to the Department of Resource Management, Planning Division, 1855 Placer Street, Suite 103, Redding, California 96001 as soon as possible and no later than three days prior to the hearing. All items presented to the Planning Commission before or during a public hearing, including but not limited to, letters, e-mails, petitions, photos, or maps, become a permanent part of the record and must be submitted to the Secretary of the Planning Commission. It is advised that the presenter bring eight copies of anything presented to the Commission, that the presenter create copies in advance for their own records. Persons wishing to submit written comments or appear before the Planning Commission are encouraged to first contact the staff planner listed for the project.

Telephone: Call the conference line at (425) 436-6318 during the meeting and use access code 4671393#. You will be called upon and unmuted when it is your turn to speak, at which time you will be given three minutes to provide your comments. If you simply want to observe the meeting and do not wish to make a comment, you do not need to call the conference line and may observe the meeting online live or after the meeting as described above (see "WATCH"). You will be called upon should you dial in to the conference line.

If you would like to request an accommodation for accessibility, please contact the Planning Division at (530) 225-5532. To better enable us to assist you, please contact us with your request at least 24 hours prior to the meeting.

Thank you for helping us to protect the health of our staff and members of the public. If you have any questions, please contact Adam Fieseler, Planning Division Manager, at (530) 225-5532.

As a result of the need to adjust to changes in the status of the spread of COVID-19 and in order to take into account any additional guidance regarding the conduct of public meetings, please refer to the most current

information about participating in Planning Commission meetings during the COVID-19 pandemic which is available at www.co.shasta.ca.us/index/drm/planning/planning-commission-meetings/participating.

NOTES:

1. The Planning Commission, at their discretion, may limit individual/group testimony time in the interest of facilitating the meeting to allow all persons who wish to comment the opportunity to do so.
2. Documents associated with the agenda are on file and available for review. The agenda, initial studies, staff reports, and minutes, can be found online at www.co.shasta.ca.us/drm/planning/planning-commission-meetings. Direct inquiries to: Department of Resource Management - Planning Division, 1855 Placer Street, Suite 103, Redding, California 96001. Phone: (530) 225-5532.
3. In accordance with Shasta County Code section 17.92.030, any interested person may appeal the decision of the planning commission to approve, conditionally approve or deny an application for a use permit by filing a notice of appeal with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors within five calendar days of the decision. The notice of appeal shall identify, by application number, the use permit which is the subject of the appeal; shall state the action, finding or determination, and the date thereof, from which the appeal is taken; and shall specifically set forth the grounds upon which the appeal is based. No person wishing to appeal a decision of the Planning Commission should rely on an appeal filed by another person but instead should file their own separate appeal. No appeal shall be deemed to be filed unless any required fee is submitted to the clerk with the notice of appeal. Forms and instructions for filing appeals are available from the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors at 1450 Court Street, Suite 308B, Redding.
4. The Commission's action on Zoning applications establishes the next action. When the Commission recommends approval, the application is automatically scheduled for action by the Board of Supervisors; if the Commission denies the application, the application is not scheduled for Board action unless an interested party files a written request for such consideration. Fees and filing information are available from the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors or from the Planning Division.
5. Following Planning Commission action on a proposed General Plan Amendment any interested party may file a written request for a hearing by the legislative body on the Commission's recommendation by filing such a request with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors within five calendar days after the Commission action.
6. If you challenge a Planning Commission action in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this agenda, or in written correspondence delivered to the Planning Commission at, or prior to, the public hearing.
7. The County of Shasta does not discriminate on the basis of disability in admission to, access to, or operation of its buildings, facilities, programs, services, or activities. The County does not discriminate on the basis of disability in its hiring or employment practices. Questions, complaints, or requests for additional information regarding the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) may be forwarded to the County's ADA Coordinator: Director of Support Services Shelley Forbes, County of Shasta, 1450 Court Street, Room 348, Redding, California 96001-1676, Phone:(530) 225-5515, California Relay Service: (800) 735-2922, Fax: (530) 225-5345, E-mail: adacoordinator@co.shasta.ca.us.

Individuals with disabilities who need auxiliary aids and/or services for effective communication in the County's programs and services are invited to make their needs and preferences known to the affected department or the ADA Coordinator. For aids or services needed for effective communication during Planning Commission meetings, please call the Department of Resource Management (530) 225-5532 five (5) business days before the meeting. This notice is available in accessible alternate formats from the affected department or the ADA Coordinator. Accommodations may include, but are not limited to, interpreters, assistive listening devices, accessible seating, or documentation in an alternate format.